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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Species Election Requirement mailed September 18, 2008, applicant elects Group I, claims 1-7, drawn to a battery.

Applicant elects with traverse, in that it is submitted that the searches and examination would be similar, so it is believed that the claims should be examined together.

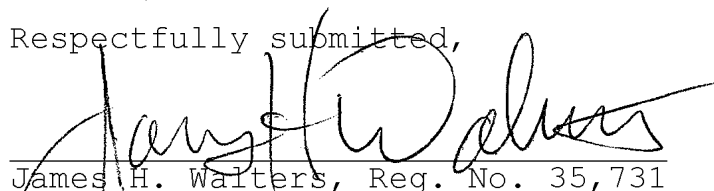
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